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Through an Absorbent Layer  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action of October 20, 2003, please enter the following  
amendment and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page  
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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.